(d) As per the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), there is no proposal to include Food Technology and Dairy Technology in the NET.

Marks concession to SCs and STs in KV and NV recruitment

607. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are not allowing 5 per cent concession in marks to SC/ST candidates in minimum eligibility criteria for recruitment of teachers in Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the present position in this regard in other organisations;

(d) whether it will amount to violation of Government instructions/ constitutional provisions for SCs/STs in Government-jobs including educational institutional; and

(e) if so, the steps Government propose to take to rectify this position, for welfare of SC/ST people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per the existing policy of the Government of India on Reservations and Concessions to SCs and STs, where an educational qualification has been prescribed in the Recruitment Rules, SC and ST candidates should satisfy the said qualification. Similarly, when a minimum number of marks or a minimum grade is also prescribed as part of the educational qualification, the minimum marks/grade so prescribed shall also uniformly apply to all candidates including SC and ST candidates.

(c) Other organisations follow the provisions of reservation policy of the Government of India.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.